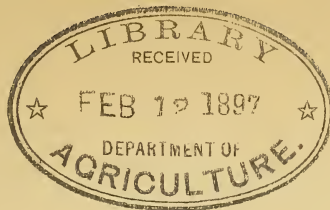


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REGULATIONS CONCERNING CATTLE TRANSPORTATION.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
Washington, D. C., January 27, 1897.

To the Managers and Agents of Railroads and Transportation Companies of the United States, Stockmen, and others:

In accordance with section 7 of the act of Congress approved May 29, 1884, entitled "An act for the establishment of a Bureau of Animal Industry, to prevent the exportation of diseased cattle, and to provide means for the suppression and extirpation of pleuropneumonia and other contagious diseases among domestic animals," and of the act of Congress which became a law April 24, 1896, making appropriation for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1897, you are hereby notified that a contagious and infectious disease known as splenetic, or Southern, fever exists among cattle in the following described area:

All that country lying south, or below, a line beginning at the northwest corner of the State of California; thence east, south, and southeasterly along the boundary line of said State of California to the southeastern corner of said State; thence southerly along the western boundary line of Arizona to the southwest corner of Arizona; thence along the southern boundary lines of Arizona and New Mexico to the southeastern corner of New Mexico; thence northerly along the eastern boundary of New Mexico to the southern line of the State of Colorado; thence along the southern boundary lines of Colorado and Kansas to the southeastern corner of Kansas; thence southerly along the western boundary line of Missouri to the southwestern corner of Missouri; thence easterly along the southern boundary line of Missouri to the Mississippi River; thence northerly along the Mississippi River to the northern boundary line of Tennessee at the northwest corner of Lake County; thence easterly along said northern boundary line to the northeast corner of Henry County; thence in a northerly direction along the boundary of the Tennessee River to the northwest corner of Stewart County; thence in an easterly direction along the northern boundary of Tennessee to the southwestern corner of Virginia; thence northeasterly along the western boundary line of Virginia to the northernmost point of Virginia; thence southerly along said boundary line to the northeast corner of Virginia where it joins the southeastern corner of Maryland, at the Atlantic Ocean.

Whenever any State or Territory located above or below said quarantine line, as above designated, shall duly establish a different quarantine line, and obtain the necessary legislation to enforce said

last-mentioned line strictly and completely within the boundaries of said State or Territory, and said last above-mentioned line and the measures taken to enforce it are satisfactory to the Secretary of Agriculture, he may, by a special order, temporarily adopt said State or Territorial line.

Said adoption will apply only to that portion of said line specified, and may cease at any time the Secretary may deem it best for the interest involved, and in no instance shall said modification exist longer than the period specified in said special order; and at the expiration of such time said quarantine line shall revert without further order to the line first above described.

Whenever any State or Territory shall establish a quarantine line for above purposes, differently located from the above-described line, and shall obtain by legislation the necessary laws to enforce same completely and strictly, and shall desire a modification of the Federal quarantine line to agree with such State or Territorial line, the proper authorities of such State or Territory shall forward to the Secretary of Agriculture a true map or description of such line and a copy of the laws for enforcement of same, duly authenticated and certified.

Such States or Territories as now have a line established as last above mentioned can immediately forward certified copies of said line and laws for the enforcement thereof, and if satisfactory to the Secretary of Agriculture, the same may be adopted at once and the Federal line so modified.

From the 15th day of February to the 15th day of November, inclusive, during each year, no cattle are to be transported from said area south or below said Federal quarantine line above described to any portion of the United States above, north, east, or west of the above-described line, except by rail for immediate slaughter, and when so transported the following regulations must be observed:

1. When any cattle in course of transportation from said area are unloaded above, north, east, or west of this line to be fed or watered, the places where said cattle are to be fed or watered shall be set apart and no other cattle shall be admitted thereto.

2. On unloading said cattle at their points of destination, pens, sufficiently isolated, shall be set apart to receive them, and no other cattle shall be admitted to said pens; and the regulations relating to the movement of cattle from said area, prescribed by the cattle sanitary officers of the State where unloaded, shall be carefully observed. The cars that have carried said stock shall be cleansed and disinfected as soon as possible after unloading and before they are again used to transport, store, or shelter animals or merchandise.

3. All cars carrying cattle from said area shall bear placards stating that said cars contain Southern cattle, and each of the waybills of said shipments shall have a note upon its face with a similar statement. Whenever any cattle have come from said area and shall be

reshipped from any point at which they have been unloaded to other points of destination, the cars carrying said animals shall bear similar placards with like statements, and the waybills be so stamped. At whatever point these cattle are unloaded they must be placed in separate pens, to which no other cattle shall be admitted.

4. The cars and boats used to transport such animals, the chutes, alleyways, and pens used during transportation, and at points of destination, shall be disinfected in the following manner:

- (a) Remove all litter and manure. This litter and manure may be disinfected by mixing it with lime or saturating it with a 5 per cent solution of carbolic acid; or, if not disinfected, it may be stored where no cattle can come into contact with it until after November 15.
- (b) Wash the cars and the feeding and watering troughs with water until clean.
- (c) Saturate the walls and floors of the cars, and fencing, troughs, and chutes of the pens with a solution made by dissolving 4 ounces of chloride of lime to each gallon of water. Or disinfect the cars with a jet of steam under a pressure of not less than 50 pounds to the square inch.

Cattle from the Republic of Mexico may be admitted into the United States to remain below said Federal quarantine line after inspection, according to law, but said cattle shall not be permitted to cross said quarantine line otherwise than by rail for immediate slaughter, except by special permit from the inspectors of the Bureau of Animal Industry, issued according to the regulations of the said Bureau, and no permit shall be issued except for cattle free from splenetic, or Texas, fever, or from contact therewith during the three months preceding the issuance of said permit, and which have been grazed in a locality free from infection of such fever.

Notice is hereby given that cattle infested with the *Boophilus bovis*, or Southern cattle tick, disseminate the contagion of splenetic, or Southern, fever (Texas fever); therefore cattle originating outside of the district described by this order, or amendments thereof, and which are infested with the *Boophilus bovis* ticks shall be considered as infectious cattle and shall be subject to the rules and regulations governing the movement of Southern cattle.

Stock-yards companies receiving such cattle shall place the same in the pens set aside for the use of Southern cattle, and transportation companies are required to clean and disinfect all cars and vessels which have contained the same, according to the requirements of this Department.

The losses which formerly occurred to the owners of susceptible cattle, both in the interstate and export trade, by the contraction of this disease from exposure in unclean and infected cars and pens, and by means of the manure carried in unclean cars from place to place, became a matter of grave and serious concern to the cattle industry of the United States until this danger was removed by the

inspection of this Department. It is absolutely essential, therefore, that this cattle industry should continue to be protected as far as possible by separating the dangerous cattle and by the adoption of efficient methods of disinfection.

Inspectors are instructed to see that disinfection is properly done, and it is expected that transportation and stock-yards companies will promptly put into operation the above methods.

All prior orders conflicting herewith are hereby revoked.

J. STERLING MORTON,
Secretary.

**SPECIAL ORDER MODIFYING QUARANTINE LINE FOR THE
STATE OF TEXAS.**

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
Washington, D. C., January 28, 1897.

In accordance with the regulations concerning cattle transportation issued by this Department January 27, 1897, the State of Texas has located a quarantine line, described as follows:

Beginning at the southwest corner of the county of Pecos, on the bank of the Rio Grande River; thence following the western boundary of Pecos County to the southeast corner of Reeves County; thence following the boundary line between the counties of Pecos and Reeves to the Pecos River; thence southeasterly, following the Pecos River to the northwest corner of Crockett County; thence easterly along the northern boundary of Crockett and Schleicher counties to the southeastern corner of Irion County; thence northerly along the eastern boundary of Irion County to the northeast corner of said county; thence northerly to the southern boundary of Coke County; thence westerly to the southwest corner of Coke County; thence northerly along the western boundary of Coke County to the southern boundary of Mitchell County; thence easterly to the southeastern corner of Mitchell County; thence northerly along the western boundary of Nolan County to the northwestern corner of Nolan County; thence easterly along the northern boundaries of Nolan and Taylor counties to the southeast corner of Jones County; thence northerly along the eastern boundary of Jones County to the northeast corner of said county; thence easterly along the northern boundary of Shackelford County to the southwest corner of Throckmorton County; thence northerly along the western boundaries of Throckmorton and Baylor counties to the northwest corner of Baylor County; thence easterly along the northern boundary of said county to the southeast corner of Wilbarger County; thence northerly along the eastern boundary of Wilbarger County to the Red River; thence continuing in a northwesterly direction along the course of said river to the southeast cor-

ner of Greer County; thence northerly, following the course of the North Fork of the Red River to its intersection with the eastern boundary line of Wheeler County; thence north with the eastern boundary line of Wheeler, Hemphill, and Lipscomb counties to the northeast corner of Lipscomb County; thence in a westerly direction with the northern boundary lines of Lipscomb, Ochiltree, Hansford, Sherman, and Dallam counties to the northwestern corner of Dallam County to the eastern line of New Mexico.

And whereas said quarantine line, as above set forth, is satisfactory to this Department, and legislation has been enacted by the State of Texas to enforce said quarantine line; therefore, in accordance with the regulations of January 27, 1897, the above quarantine line is adopted for the State of Texas by this Department for the period beginning on February 15, 1897, and ending November 15, 1897, in lieu of the quarantine line described in said order of January 27, 1897, for said area, unless otherwise ordered.

J. STERLING MORTON,
Secretary.

SPECIAL ORDER MODIFYING QUARANTINE LINE FOR THE TERRITORY OF OKLAHOMA.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
Washington, D. C., February 2, 1897.

In accordance with the regulations concerning cattle transportation issued by this Department January 27, 1897, the Territory of Oklahoma has located a quarantine line, described as follows:

Beginning on the Red River at the southeastern corner of the county of Greer; thence northerly following the course of the North Fork of the Red River to its intersection with the southern boundary line of Roger Mills County; thence easterly along the southern boundary of Roger Mills and Washita counties to the southeastern corner of Washita County; thence northerly along the eastern boundary of Washita County to the northeast corner of said county; continuing in a northerly direction along the eastern boundary of the county of G to the southwestern corner of the county of Blaine; thence easterly along the southern boundary of Blaine County to the southeast corner of said county; thence north along the eastern boundary of said county to the northwest corner of Canadian County; thence east along the northern boundary of said county to the northeast corner of said county; thence north along the eastern boundary of Kingfisher County to the northeastern corner of said county; thence east along the southern boundary of O County to the southeast corner of said county; thence north along the eastern boundary of O County to the northeast corner of said county; thence east along the southern boundary of K County to the west line of the Ponca

Indian Reservation; thence north along the west line of said reservation to the northwest corner of said reservation; thence east along the northern boundary of the Ponca Reservation to the Arkansas River; thence in a northerly direction following the course of said river to its intersection with the thirty-seventh parallel of north latitude at the southern boundary line of Kansas.

So much of the quarantine line for the State of Texas, described in the order of January 28, 1897, beginning at a point on the Red River at its intersection with the southern boundary line of Roger Mills County, and extending northerly and westerly therefrom, is hereby revoked during the enforcement of the above line for the Territory of Oklahoma.

And whereas said quarantine line, as above set forth, is satisfactory to this Department, and legislation has been enacted by the Territory of Oklahoma to enforce said quarantine line; therefore, in accordance with the regulations of January 27, 1897, the above quarantine line is adopted for the Territory of Oklahoma by this Department for the period beginning on February 15, 1897, and ending November 15, 1897, in lieu of the quarantine line described in said order of January 27, 1897, for said area, unless otherwise ordered.

J. STERLING MORTON,
Secretary.

**SPECIAL ORDER MODIFYING QUARANTINE LINE FOR THE
STATE OF ARKANSAS.**

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
Washington, D. C., February 2, 1897.

In accordance with the regulations concerning cattle transportation issued by this Department January 27, 1897, the State of Arkansas has located a quarantine line, described as follows:

Beginning at the northwest corner of the county of Benton; thence southerly along the western boundary line of Benton and Washington counties to the southwest corner of Washington County; thence easterly along the southern boundaries of the counties of Washington, Madison, Newton, Searcy, and Stone to the western boundary of Independence County; thence southerly along the western boundary of Independence County to the southwest corner of Independence County; thence easterly along the southern boundary of Independence County to the southeast corner of Independence County; thence northerly along the eastern boundary of said county to the northeast corner of said county; thence easterly along the southern boundary

of Lawrence County to the southeast corner of said county; thence northerly along the eastern boundary of said county to the southwestern corner of Greene County; thence easterly along the southern boundary of Greene County to the southern boundary of the State of Missouri and along said southern boundary of the State of Missouri to the Mississippi River.

And whereas said quarantine line, as above set forth, is satisfactory to this Department, and legislation has been enacted by the State of Arkansas to enforce said quarantine line; therefore, in accordance with the regulations of January 27, 1897, the above quarantine line is adopted for the State of Arkansas by this Department for the period beginning on February 15, 1897, and ending November 15, 1897, in lieu of the quarantine line described in said order of January 27, 1897, for said area, unless otherwise ordered.

J. STERLING MORTON,
Secretary.

SPECIAL ORDER MODIFYING QUARANTINE LINE FOR THE STATE OF VIRGINIA.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
Washington, D. C., February 5, 1897.

In accordance with the regulations concerning cattle transportation issued by this Department January 27, 1897, the State of Virginia has located a quarantine line, described as follows:

Beginning at the boundary line of Virginia at its southwestern corner; thence easterly along the southern boundary of Virginia to a point coinciding with the summit of the Blue Ridge Mountains; thence following the summit of said mountains northeasterly to the Blackwater River; thence easterly along the course of said river through Franklin County to its intersection with the Staunton River on the eastern boundary of Franklin County; thence in an easterly direction along the southern and eastern boundaries of Bedford County to the James River; thence following the James River to the southeastern corner of Charles City County; thence northerly and easterly along the western and northern boundaries of James City, Gloucester, and Mathews counties to the Chesapeake Bay; thence south to the northern boundary of Elizabeth City County; thence west and north along the boundaries of Elizabeth City and Warwick counties to the James River; thence southeasterly along the course of the said river to the northwest corner of Norfolk County; thence south along the western boundary of said county to its intersection with the northern boundary of North Carolina; thence east along the southern boundaries of Norfolk and Princess Anne counties to the Atlantic Ocean.

And whereas said quarantine line, as above set forth, is satisfactory to this Department, and legislation has been enacted by the

State of Virginia to enforce said quarantine line; therefore, in accordance with the regulations of January 27, 1897, the above quarantine line is adopted for the State of Virginia by this Department for the period beginning on February 15, 1897, and ending November 15, 1897, in lieu of the quarantine line described in said order of January 27, 1897, for said area, unless otherwise ordered.

J. STERLING MORTON,
Secretary.

**SPECIAL ORDER MODIFYING QUARANTINE LINE FOR THE STATE
OF NORTH CAROLINA.**

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
Washington, D. C., February 5, 1897.

In accordance with the regulations concerning cattle transportation issued by this Department January 27, 1897, the State of North Carolina has located a quarantine line, described as follows:

Beginning at the northwestern corner of Ashe County at the northern boundary of North Carolina; thence along the western boundary of said State to the southwest corner of the county of Cherokee; thence along the southern boundaries of the counties of Cherokee, Clay, Macon, Jackson, and Transylvania to the southeast corner of the county of Transylvania; thence northwesterly along the eastern boundary of Transylvania County to the southwest corner of the county of Buncombe; thence easterly along the southern boundary of the said county to the summit of the Blue Ridge Mountains; thence in a northeasterly direction following the said mountains to their intersection with the northern boundary of the State of North Carolina.

So much of the quarantine line for the State of Virginia described in the order of February 5, 1897, beginning at the northwestern corner of Ashe County and extending easterly along the southern boundary of Virginia to the summit of the Blue Ridge Mountains, is hereby revoked during the enforcement of the above line for the State of North Carolina.

And whereas said quarantine line, as above set forth, is satisfactory to this Department, and legislation has been enacted by the State of North Carolina to enforce said quarantine line; therefore, in accordance with the regulations of January 27, 1897, the above quarantine line is adopted for the State of North Carolina by this Department for the period beginning on February 15, 1897, and ending November 15, 1897, in lieu of the quarantine line described in said order of January 27, 1897, for said area, unless otherwise ordered.

J. STERLING MORTON,
Secretary.